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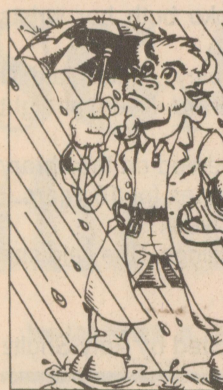
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Marshall University's student newspaper — Celebrating 101 years!

Page edited by Butch Barker

## Narrowing the search

Candidates for president down to eight;  
Perry says selection of new leader close

by **MARISSA HAGY**  
reporter

"We're getting close," A. Michael Perry, interim president, said.

To the Marshall community this means the university is one step closer to filling the vacancy

left by Dr. J. Wade Gilley.

The Presidential Search and Screening Committee met with the consultant firm Korn-Ferry International Monday afternoon in the Memorial Student Center's John Spotts Room to narrow the field of candidates seeking the presi-

dency of Marshall University.

"I think today we will try to go to the next step based upon the discussions and some further investigation by the consultants and probably try to get it further down as to who we want to go interview," Perry, a search committee member, said.

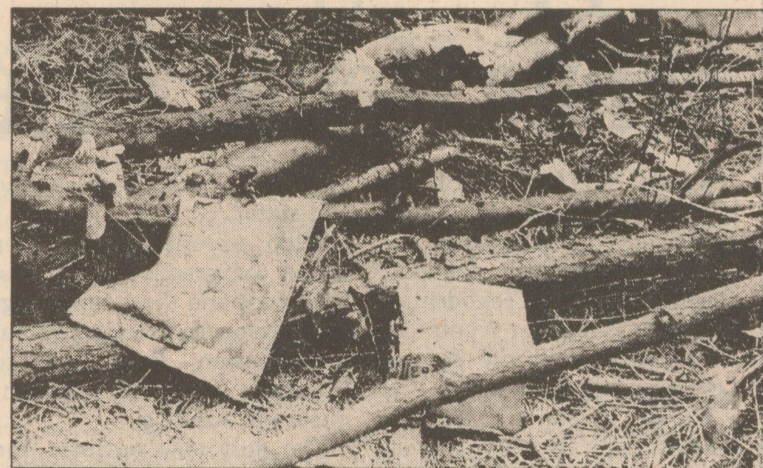
Perry said there have been four steps in the process so far. In the first step, he said the

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committee organized and hired a consultant firm. Next, the committee was informed by the consultants about the number and quality of candidates vying for the position.

Tom Wilkerson, committee co-chairman, said the previous meeting, in South Charleston on Sept. 8, made progress by reducing the number of candidates to fewer than 25.

During Monday's meeting, the committee reduced the field

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file photo

Wreckage was among the aftermath of the 1970 plane crash. "Ashes to Glory," a new documentary in the making, covers the tragedy from the time it happened to Marshall's recovery.

## Filmmakers to document plane crash

by **RYAN WHEELER**  
reporter

Tears fell from audience members' eyes Friday as West Virginia Public Television (WVPT) showed scenes from the aftermath of the 1970 Marshall University plane crash that devastated so many lives.

WVPT announced its plans for "Ashes to Glory," an hour-long documentary about the tragedy and the adversity overcome by Marshall and the city of Huntington.

Deborah Novak, of Witek & Novak Inc., co-producer of the film with WVPT, said she is confident the film will open Marshall students' eyes to the tragedy that ripped through the university and town nearly 29 years ago.

Jake Anderson, Huntington senior, thinks the film will benefit students.

"I wasn't born yet, but I know a little about it because I grew up here," Anderson said. "I think a film like that would be great for people at Marshall to find out about such a historical event."

Novak agreed.

"Marshall students need to know the story and what it means," she said.

"I don't know how anyone can watch this story and not feel emotion," Novak said of the scenes.

A silence fell over the audience of writers, former Marshall athletes and distinguished guests Friday when WVPT showed the scenes. Novak tried to hold back emotion as she spoke to the small crowd.

Novak said she witnessed the tragedy and Marshall's rise from it to the institution it is today.

She said she takes great satisfaction in bringing the story that has been overlooked by so many to Marshall students and the rest of the country.

"If this had been a bigger school, they would have probably made a movie about it," Novak said.

After WVPT airs the film, it will be available for National Educational Telecommunications Association (NETA) to air. NETA represents 167 public stations.

John Witek, of Witek & Novak Inc., said the cost of the documentary is about \$250,000, \$100,000 of which already has been raised.

Information concerning donations may be obtained by calling WVPT at 888-594-9729.



Murals, shown above, will be brought back to the James E. Morrow Library after first-floor renovations are complete.

## Murals to return home to walls in Morrow

by **LAURA B. TURLEY**  
reporter

Renovations on the first floor of Morrow Library will include reinstalling three nationally-recognized murals.

The murals were first hung during the centennial year of Marshall College in 1937. They were painted by former art faculty member Marion Vest Fors.

The murals were originally designed to be placed on the south wall of the library, according to the book "One Hundred Years of Marshall College."

"When they did the wrap-around renovation, they had to

put another ceiling in on the first floor because they needed more space," said Dr. K. Edward Grose, senior vice president for operations. "The murals had to be removed."

The murals have been stored since the 1960s. The Building and Grounds carpenter shop built a wooden drum. The murals were put into the drum. The painted side was covered with plastic while the back was covered with corrugated cardboard.

The murals are now stored in an air-conditioned vault on the third floor of the library, near special collections, said Cora Teel, archivist/librarian IV.

Grose said, "We had hoped that when we built the new Drinko Library, we would be able to somehow incorporate those murals in with the new library, but we were not able to do that."

The architect, who drew the plans for the Morrow Library renovations has included space for the murals, Grose said.

When the first floor renovations are complete, the murals will be installed in the reception area to the administrative complex, he said.

The story portrayed through the murals was significant to the centennial celebration and history of Marshall College.

From the book "One

Hundred of Marshall College," the center mural represents the Teacher's College, and the Arts and Science College. It includes suggestions of future education and the rhododendron, the West Virginia state flower, according to the book.

The left mural is the American literature panel representing "early transition and modern writing," according to the book. Edgar Allen Poe's "The Raven" is used as symbolism for the panel.

The right mural is representative of West Virginia literature. "The Mountain School Teacher" by Melville Davisson Post is the subject for the panel, according to the book.

## Film festival focuses on, embraces disabilities

by **AMANDA M. TULLY**  
reporter

Those affected with disabilities aren't that different.

This is the message being conveyed through the Disability Awareness Film Festival at the Keith-Albee and Cinema theaters in downtown Huntington.

The film festival is sponsored by the Autism Services Center and will be Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Eight films will be shown in the festival, ranging from "Awakenings" to "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." Each film is related to issues pertaining to individuals with disabilities.

Dr. Ruth C. Sullivan, executive director of Autism Services Center in Huntington, said, "It's very exciting. The purpose of the festival is to show disabilities as part of the human condition."

The Autism Services Center is using the festival to relay the message that disabled people are not very different from the rest of society.

"People with disabilities have just as much worth and value as anyone else," Sullivan said. "They also have dignity and respect. Every human being has the power to cause change, and we need to embrace those who are not like us."

The Autism Services Center is sponsoring the three-day festival to celebrate its 20th anniversary.

The agency was started by Sullivan in 1979. At that time, she was her only employee. Now the agency has 291 staff members.

"We help the individuals with disabilities as well as their family members," Sullivan said.

The movie "Rainman," which is about an autistic man portrayed by Dustin Hoffman, will



"Rainman" will be among the movies played at Wednesday, Friday and Saturday's festival.

also be shown at the festival.

"The main character in 'Rainman' was based on two main [autistic] models. One of these is my son, Joseph," Sullivan said.

Kathy Chezick, associate professor and department chair of communications disorders, said, "I'm delighted this festival was arranged. It will increase awareness of people with dis-

abilities in an entertaining way. It's a real bargain and I hope people will take advantage of it."

The cost of tickets is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. The movies will be shown on Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. in the downtown theaters. On Saturday, they will be shown at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

## Football season brings dollars to local stores

by **MIKE KLUG**  
reporter

Sports shops in Huntington know when autumn comes, it's time to load up on Marshall gear.

"Sales really have increased," Mike Campbell, manager of the MU Bookstore, said. "Marshall has always had a great fan base and great fan support. Obviously, every home game, compared to away game, directly helps sales."

"We have people of every age come into the store."

Jim Morgan, owner of Stadium Bookstore since 1991, said Marshall's success influences sales.

"Sales for the first two home game Saturdays this year have been among the best for Saturday sales since I have been here," Morgan said. "We have already ordered more Marshall football gear because our store does a nice gift business at Christmas too, and we have time to anticipate that."

"If the fans buy it all during football season, we won't have any left for the Christmas season," Morgan added. "Saturdays are not a real big day for our store in general, but when football season



photo by Mike Klug

Lad Allen (right) and Mike Allen, both from San Bernadino, Calif., shop at Stadium Bookstore.

comes, when there are home games particularly, our sales are up about 2,000 percent," Morgan said.

Chris McGlone, sales manager of Dan's Sports Shop on Fourth Avenue, said more than just local people are interested in Marshall gear.

"We are getting phone calls from further away than the Tri-State area," McGlone said. "I don't know if it's whether

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## Tripp wages lawsuit against White House, Defense Dept.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Linda Tripp sued the White House and her employer, the Defense Department, Monday, alleging they used confidential records to smear her reputation after she brought the Monica Lewinsky scandal to light.

The suit in federal court, contending Tripp's privacy was violated, says unidentified people in the executive office of the president "unlawfully disclosed" the contents of "personal files, FBI files, security files and other government records" regarding Tripp.

The disclosures were designed to spread "embarrassing or damaging information ... for

partisan political purposes," the suit stated.

Tripp secretly recorded her phone conversations with Ms. Lewinsky, and those tapes triggered Kenneth Starr's criminal investigation that led to President Clinton's impeachment and acquittal.

The suit also outlines the release of information to the news media from forms Tripp filed with the Pentagon.

In those forms, Tripp told her employer she had never been arrested when in fact she had been.

Tripp was accused of grand larceny in the alleged theft of \$263 in cash and a \$600 watch.

She said the items were planted in her handbag by friends as part of a teen-age prank.

Her lawyers have said the charges were dropped.

Tripp is seeking an unspecified amount of money for "harm to reputation and emotional distress and humiliation."

The case was assigned to U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth, a Reagan appointee.

Tripp's lawyer, Stephen Kohn, said he asked for the case to be assigned to Lamberth, who is handling a number of lawsuits filed against the Clinton administration concerning alleged violations of confidentiality.

## RedHawk band disciplined for drunken behavior on trip

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) — The Miami University band will not be allowed to play at halftime of Saturday's football game because some members were drinking, watching pornographic movies and mooning people during a trip.

The game against Marshall University is on Parents' Day, so the band will be allowed to play before and after the game, spokesman Richard Little said.

The band will not be able to perform at halftime of an upcoming Cincinnati Bengals

game and other discipline is possible after an investigation, Little said.

Band members on one of six chartered buses to a Sept. 11 game against West Virginia University were mooning people on the bus and passers by while drinking, Little said. Other band members complained.

The university also is investigating complaints that there was drinking in a lodge where the band stayed.

Consuming alcohol while on a band trip violates university

policies, Little said.

The administration will spend several weeks trying to determine how many of the band's nearly 300 members were involved, but those who complained said only a handful took part, Little said.

Under Miami's policy, students found guilty of alcohol violations must pay for a mandatory course on alcohol education. Students with three violations — or fewer, if disruptive behavior is involved — are automatically suspended or expelled.

## Underwood creates state's first trade office

Munich, Germany office to improve European investment

CHARLESTON (AP) — European investment in West Virginia should improve once businesses become better acquainted with the state, Gov. Cecil Underwood said Monday.

The governor will return home today after a week-long trade mission that took him to Germany and Switzerland.

During the week, Underwood dedicated the state's first trade office in Europe and talked with several companies about their expansion plans for the United States.

Establishing West Virginia's

trade office in Munich, Germany, was the right decision, the governor said during a conference call on the last day of his trip.

"We have a very striking similarity to the industrial complex here," he said.

We have all kinds of partnership potentials. Europe is our best export market ... I think it is a matter of our becoming known and getting acquainted."

The governor said West Virginia could benefit from high technology investment. Also, academic exchanges could be expanded, he said.

Students from Alderson-Broadus, who are studying in Salzburg, Germany, this semester attended last Friday's trade

office opening, he said.

Academic exchanges are a "door opener everywhere," Underwood said.

The Germany trade office brings to three foreign offices operated by the state.

The other two are in Japan and Taiwan.

## Track employees to support new video slot machines

CHARLES TOWN (AP) — Charles Town Races employees are being encouraged to attend a public hearing to counter opposition to a proposal to add 500 video lottery slot machines at the Jefferson County track.

Employees received letters earlier this month from track president James Buchanan informing them of Wednesday's state Lottery Commission hearing.

Meeting attendance is not mandatory, but "your show of support will help reduce the amount of opponents that will attend," Buchanan wrote.

"As you probably know, there are a few people in Jefferson County that are against our VLT (video lottery terminal) operation, and try to stop our growth at every opportunity," he wrote.

"If you decide to attend the hearing, I ask that you show your support by telling the commission how your job depends on the expansion of our slot operation, and applaud when others do the same," Buchanan said.

The Rev. Michael Withem says he's concerned the track is trying to prevent those who are against the expansion from

attending the hearing.

The track wants to increase the number of slot and video lottery machines from 935 to 1,435. Officials have said the expansion would enable the Eastern Panhandle track to accommodate a growing number of gamblers from Washington, D.C., and Baltimore.

"It just keeps growing, growing and growing. And my question is, where is it going to stop?" said Withem, who added that state officials do not have the "backbone" to say no to the track.

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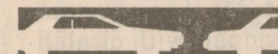
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# SGA senators to learn through training sessions

by **CARRIE A. SMITH**  
reporter

In an effort to operate more efficiently, the Student Government Association will provide a series of training sessions for the student senators.

The first session is at 9:15 p.m. Wednesday and will focus on parliamentary procedure.

Adrian Cain, community service committee chairman, will conduct the meeting.

The training is designed to teach the senators the proper way to conduct themselves at the weekly meetings in accordance with the SGA Constitution and its by-laws.

Cain said many of the senators have not received formal

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**Adrian Cain,**  
community service committee chairman

training, so this first session will cover all the basics as to what procedures should be followed.

"We plan to discuss what bills are used for, how to introduce them, the time allotted for senators to speak, who speaks first and in what order," Cain said.

Other items to be discussed are amendments, resolutions

and bill writing.

Sen. Derek Scarbro of the College of Liberal Arts said, "In the meeting, we will all learn about these things so that we can better serve the student body."

The SGA Constitution requires the senate president pro-tempore to provide the senators with some form of training.

"What we hope to accomplish with the training sessions is to brush up on our procedures, smooth out some of the issues and solve any of the indiscrepancies from this past year," Cain said.

Cain said he would also like to see other training sessions that would address public relations, faculty senate and university administrations.

Scarbro added "This training session along with other measures, like expelling habitually absent senators, eliminating unnecessary committees, adopting a code of ethics and soon providing students their senators' e-mail addresses, is part of what I see as a general spirit of reform in SGA."

# Fighting hunger one mouse click per visit to site

Web site allows visitors to contribute to cause without spending any money

by **SHAWN RATCLIFF**  
reporter

For people who have seen the images of starving children in distant countries and wanted to donate to relief efforts, but a lack of money kept them from doing it, a Web site may be the answer.

The Hunger Site at <http://www.hungersite.com> is a Web site devoted to combating starvation worldwide.

It allows visitors to donate up to 2 1/4 cups of food to starving individuals by clicking a mouse button.

From a visitor's perspective, no money changes hands — but behind the HTML, corporate sponsors, whose ads are displayed on the site, jointly foot the bill for each click the site receives.

Word of the project has been spreading throughout Marshall's campus, largely in the form of chain-letter style e-mails forwarded to multiple addresses.

"Computers are readily available on campus and it takes about three minutes to log on, get to the site, and help someone in need," said Stephanie Bennett, a member of Phi Mu sorority.

"I think this is something everyone could do."

Bennett said she and her fellow sorority sisters try to visit the site every day as "an easy way to make a difference in our global community."

Eric Near, Ironton sophomore, also said he is pleased with the project.

"It's a great cause, and it's proof that corporations who band together with everyday people for a charitable cause can change the world."

The Web site warns that visitors should not try to make several donations in one day, because an agreement with the sponsors provides that only one click per visitor will be counted each day.

A system is in place to detect multiple donations and to filter out any extra.

Sponsors make payment directly to the United Nations World Food Program, whose staff then buys and distributes a staple food deemed appropriate for the target area.

Rice, wheat and maize are used most commonly and are sources of complex carbohydrates and protein, according to the site's Frequent Questions section.

The project has generated more than one million meals since it opened four months ago, according to the U.N. World Food Program's Web site.

The Hunger Site benefits everyone involved, its creators say. For the visitor, it offers a sense of contribution. For the sponsor, it offers ad exposure and improved public relations. And for recipients, it can be life-saving.

"For a mother watching her child die in front of her from hunger, the food that you donate is worth everything in the world," the site's creators wrote.

## Search continues

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of applicants to eight candidates with two alternates, said F. Layton Cottrill Jr., vice president for executive affairs, also serving as executive secretary to the search committee.

Wilkerson said the committee will now select a sub-committee to interview the candidates at an out-of-town location. The sub-committee will then give its recommendations to the full committee, which will give the final recommendations to the University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees.

Although the meetings have gone into executive session, Perry said the secrecy is intended to protect the candidates.

"Traditionally, we try to keep the process pretty confi-

*"Traditionally, we try to keep the process pretty confidential. . ."*

**A. Michael Perry,**  
interim president

dential because people who are applying for the job may not want to jeopardize the job they have until they have some reasonable assurance that they are at least one of the finalists," Perry said.

Cottrill said the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for either Oct. 20 or Nov. 1, depending on the schedule of committee members.

At this meeting, scheduled to be at the South Charleston campus, the committee expects to narrow the list to fewer than five candidates, Tom Wilkerson, committee co-chairman, said.

At that time, Wilkerson said, the selection process will become public, allowing the Marshall community to analyze each candidate's credentials.

## Football brings big bucks

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they want to jump on the bandwagon or they just think it is something unique to have. People in California don't have Thundering Herd gear, but they see them in the Top 25 and they want it now."

Jim Brumfield, owner of Glenn's Sporting Goods on Fourth Avenue, said Marshall sales have been strong in the 1990s.

"Each year there seems to be a new reason to get more excited about Marshall," Brumfield said. "First, it was going to the I-AA national championship games. Next, it was going into Division I-A. Now it is being in the Top 25.

People are just continuing to support the Herd.

"We actually have more Marshall merchandise this year than in years past," Brumfield said, "Marshall merchandising has gone way beyond just the basic T-shirts and sweatshirts, so we try to offer greater variety. The Marshall fan has been wearing green now for a long time. They are looking for something new and exciting and we are trying to give it to them."

"We are getting in more lines of Marshall merchandise," Keith Wareheim, retail manager of Zides Sports Shop on Fourth Avenue, said.

"More sportswear companies are recognizing Marshall now."

The Marshall football team is 4-0 and is ranked No. 17 in the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll and The Associated Press poll.

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## OUR VIEW

### Fair's fair — We want some names soon

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When the list of candidates to replace former Marshall President J. Wade Gilley is narrowed to 3-5 at the next meeting, we expect you to keep your promise and release the names of those candidates like you said you would.

There have been similar promises in the past in similar situations. But those promises proved to be empty, though, as various excuses were given when facts and statistics were withheld from The Parthenon after it was guaranteed access to them.

But not this time. Because you said.

We have not been able to thoroughly report the progress of the presidential search because numerous executive sessions have been called during meetings.

"Traditionally, we try to keep the process pretty confidential," Perry is quoted as saying in a front-page story in today's issue of The Parthenon, "because people who are applying for the job may not want to jeopardize the job they have until they have some reasonable assurance that they are at least one of the finalists."

We understand the premise behind the decision to close those meetings and we respect the presidential candidates' rights to privacy. So we will wait until the agreed date to receive their names. We think that is fair to both sides.

But understand we have an obligation to our readers to provide them with that information, as it will affect their lives at Marshall in one way or another. That is why we expect names, not excuses, when the finalists are chosen.

Remember Mr. Perry, a man is only as good as his word. And you gave us yours.

### Janitors worthy of appreciation

Given the number of tasks it entails, the job of a janitor cannot be an easy one.

There is no reason we should make it more difficult.

There have been many occasions when we have walked into bathrooms on campus only to see the floors covered with water, and trash from overflowing toilets and garbage cans because people do not have enough maturity or responsibility to clean up their own messes.

That not only reflects poorly on the appearance of our university, but also forces the already hard-working janitors to do more work.

Think of what the university would look like without its janitors. It would be a mess. Fortunately, we have janitors who make sure our bathrooms and classrooms as well as our dormitories and libraries are clean when we come to campus each day.

Perhaps we all fail to appreciate them as much as we should. That is why we should make the effort to show them we do.

So flush that unflushed toilet, pick up that wadded-up paper towel and turn off that running water so they won't have to.

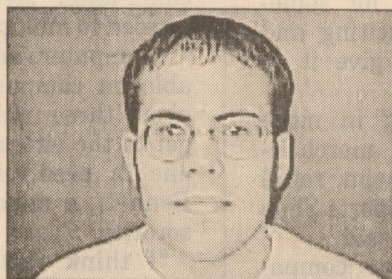
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### Don't let stupid people bring you down



JACOB  
MESSER

If ignorance is bliss, I know at least one guy on campus whose life is filled with much happiness.

I know this because I experienced his stupidity first hand.

After watching the football game and visiting some of the local clubs Saturday night, my girlfriend, my best friend and myself were enjoying a meal at Dwight's at about 3 a.m.

As we were about to begin eating our late night meals, the guy started making derogatory comments about me and my height as he flashed me a smirk and his friends snickered.

FYI: I am about 5-foot-2.

Upon hearing his rude and hurtful comments, I decided to choose one of the following options for my reaction:

- A. Kick him in the groin.
- B. Kneel him in the face.
- C. Jump on top of him.
- D. Pummel him with my fists.
- E. All of the above (and in that particular order).

I decided E was the best choice and was ready to attack, but my girlfriend restrained me. And I am honestly glad she did.

Lowering myself to fight a drunken guy who was trying his best to impress about 10 other guys who were as drunk and obnoxious as him is not worth it.

There was no reason for me to show my ignorance, as he was displaying enough for both of us.

Instead, I calmed down and discussed such acts of cruelty with my company. Later that night, though, I took time to reflect on the incident and it angered me.

It was not his comments that made me mad. It was the fact that he thought he had the right to make them.

I guess his parents did not do

a good job of raising him. I, on the other hand, remember what my mother always told me: If you cannot say anything nice, do not say anything at all.

Unfortunately, many people disregard that advice. Too often they think it is funny to make fun of someone because they are tall or short, fat or skinny, black or white, gay or straight. They prey on the insecurities of others to make up for their own. I guess it makes them feel better about themselves. It disgusts me.

Such cruelty makes people afraid to be themselves and makes them more embarrassed or ashamed of who they are.

I know this column will not make those insecure jerks change their ways. So to those who are the subject of their taunts and laughs, I say be yourself and do not let them hurt you. Be the bigger person.

No matter how tall you are.

Jacob Messer is editor of The Parthenon. Comments can be sent to him at 311 Smith Hall. He can be reached at 696-2521.

### Chain letters, 'Spam' annoy columnist



MARK  
BLEVINS

I used to hate the Internet. I really hated it. I thought it was another fad that would fade away such as the 8-track and beta machines.

The Internet really got under my skin partially because everybody talked about how wonderful it was, and if everyone says something is wonderful, it usually isn't.

I'm not going to say I was completely wrong, but the Internet does have its purposes. You can find news about the cheese industry, find out if Hanson is going on another world tour and receive threatening e-mails on the Internet.

I can't even imagine my life without e-mail. I can keep in touch with people an hour away or with people who live on the other side of the world, not that I know anyone there.

The same people I love to hear from also send me enough

forwards to make me scream. "Spam," as junk e-mail is called, is what I get about half the time when my computer tells me I have mail. It's the chain letters that really disturb me.

If I'm going to get everlasting love by sending out chain letters to 10 different people, I guess I'll just have to learn to play solitaire.

I also can't stand mass e-mails I get from different organizations, begging me to send money or to forward information to someone else. How do I know they're on the level and aren't trying to scam anybody? I don't, and I usually delete those faster than you can run to the bathroom during halftime at a football game.

E-mail is a nice way to keep in touch with people you haven't see in years, but it's also another terrifying object that shows privacy is becoming more and more obsolete.

You can find almost anyone's e-mail address on the Internet, which should be a new way professional stalkers can ply their trade into the next millennium. Doesn't that give you a warm and fuzzy feeling?

With the advent of the Internet and e-mail, no longer can most people be left alone. Even those that don't own a computer or have e-mail are listed on the Internet. That disturbs me greatly for the simple fact that now, you can't hide from people anymore.

Even if you live on top of a mountain in the middle of nowhere, you and where you live are on the Internet. Just type in "John Doe," hit enter and his address will pop up on the screen. Internet directions are sometimes iffy, but that's another story.

The world isn't very private anymore. With new technology sprouting up everyday and new ways to contact people, there are less ways to avoid people, if you so desire.

You can no longer be a hermit on top of a mountain and search for the meaning of life because someone is bound to call or send you a subscription to Hermit's Monthly.

You just can't escape the information superhighway, as it's called. Of course, now adults have another way to describe the hardships they had when they were growing up.

"We walked to school uphill — both ways. And we didn't have the Internet. We had to look at our Playboys the old fashioned way. We didn't have the Internet to look anything up!"

Sometimes, technology does change things for the better.

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## CAMPUS VIEW

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### Graduate student urges others to participate in online survey about EMS

If you have been following The Herald Dispatch over the last couple of weeks, you have undoubtedly heard about the possibility that the university's Emergency Medical Services may be shut down due to funding concerns. I have developed an online seven-item survey that is designed to provide cost-benefit analysis data that will be supplied to interested parties. I urge all students to participate in this survey as it affects us all.

The survey is located at <http://webpages.marshall.edu/~butler5/survey.html>. For more information about Marshall University EMS, go to their Web site located at [www.marshall.edu/muems](http://www.marshall.edu/muems).

— Bill Butler,  
graduate student

## OFF CAMPUS VIEW

### Release secrets of Judicial Affairs

Staff Editorial  
The Lantern (Ohio State University)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio — The fact that a felony involving an Ohio State University student can be reported to the OSU administration and the case never has to go to a state courtroom is not only unbelievable, but foolish as well.

The way the Student Judicial Affairs board is run here, this is a very possible situation. Patrick Hall, director of Student Judicial Affairs, says this does not happen often, but the fact that it happens at all is mind-boggling and heart-stopping. This privacy and secrecy given to potential criminals violates the rights of the entire OSU family.

Until the Higher Education Act of 1998 was passed, it was actually illegal for a college or university to release any information about the cases it hears in its own judicial system. The old law, enacted in 1974, was supposed to protect students and their families from public scrutiny.

Now that the Higher Education Act has amended this law, schools have the right to release information about cases that involve crimes of violence and nonforcible sexual crimes (forcible sexual crimes fall under violent crimes). The fact that OSU still refuses to release this information tells us our administrators are more concerned with the schools public profile than the safety of its students.

Miami University, Ashland University and the University of Dayton have all reversed the ignorant and archaic privacy code and now release this information. So why can't we?

The move to release this information is common sense. The fact that it has not happened yet show us that OSU is content to lead from behind, and this is the wrong attitude for our school going into the next millennium.

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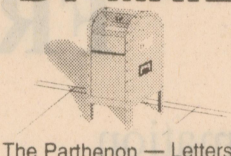
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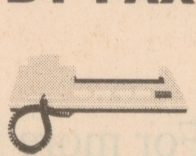
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## Herd jumps to No. 17 in polls

Marshall ascends in rankings after 34-0 rout of Temple

by JACOB MESSER  
editor

Meet Temple's Elmarco Jackson and Devin Scott. They are the newest lobbyists in Marshall's national campaign for recognition and respect. "We knew what to expect coming in here," Jackson said Saturday after his team suffered a 34-0 setback to the Thundering Herd. "They're a Top 25 team. They have a Heisman Trophy candidate at quarterback."

"We knew they would be good, he said. "They played really well. We can't take anything away from them. They showed what they're capable of doing."

Scott agreed. "Their offense is almost unstoppable," he said. "And to make matters worse they're defense is as talented as their offense. They have a great team. They are right where they are supposed to be."

Marshall (4-0) is ranked No. 17 in both The Associated Press media poll and the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll.

Losses to then-No. 14 Arkansas, then-No. 18 UCLA and then-No. 20 Wisconsin on Saturday allowed Marshall to move up from No. 21 in the media poll and from No. 22 in the coaches poll.

The Thundering Herd also helped itself with a dominating performance Saturday. A crowd of 30,194, the sixth-largest crowd to see a game at Marshall Stadium, watched the Herd

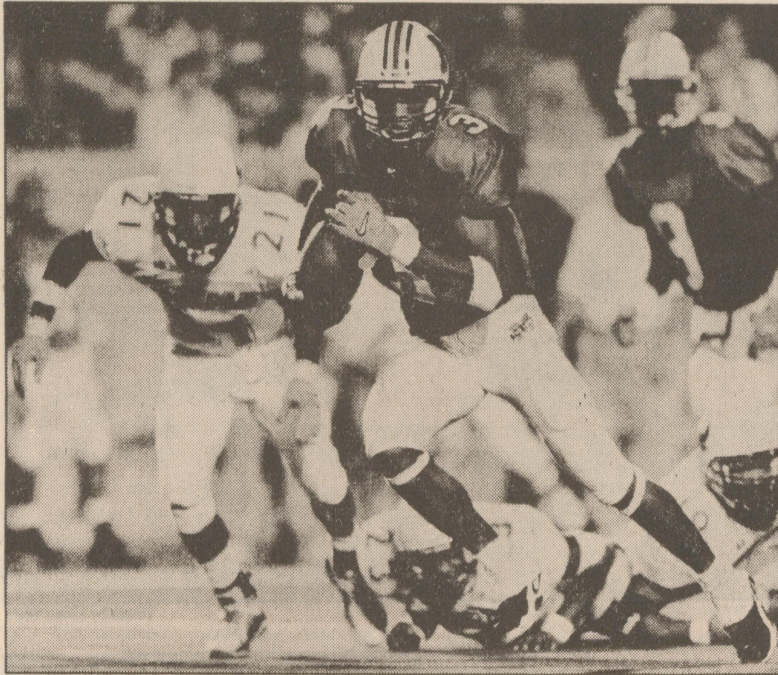


photo by Brett Hall

Junior wide receiver Nate Poole avoids Temple tacklers during Saturday's 34-0 win. Poole led the team with 10 receptions for 179 yards, both career highs. The shutout of Temple earned Marshall a No. 17 ranking in college football's two major polls.

gain 593 yards of total offense and hold Temple to only 185.

Marshall quarterback Chad Pennington said neither his teammates nor himself place much emphasis on the national rankings.

"You don't hear anything about the rankings in our locker room," Pennington said. "You might hear somebody on Monday mention where we are in the poll, but after that we don't talk about it at all."

"Being from a small school in a small conference, we know we

only get one chance. That's why we tune those things out."

"There are some crazy things going on in college football. We saw that today [with the upset losses to Arkansas, UCLA and Wisconsin]. We know we have to stay focused."

Marshall head coach Bob Pruett repeated a comment often used by Thundering Herd players and coaches, saying it is where you end in the polls that matters.

Pruett also did not see more or less significance in beating

Temple compared to other teams. "It was the next game," Pruett said matter-of-factly. "That's the way we look at every team in every game."

He was, however, pleased that his team added another conference to its list of wins.

"It's always good to win games out of conference," Pruett said. "We have been able to win games against teams from Conference USA, SEC, ACC and Big East now. We are very proud of that. Hopefully, we can build on this win and continue to get better."

Marshall puts its national rankings and its hopes for a third straight Mid-American Conference championship on the line at 2 p.m. Saturday, when it plays Miami of Ohio in Oxford, Ohio.

"It's obvious that there's nothing that needs to be said," Pennington said. "There's no secret about what's at stake. We're veteran enough and savvy enough to not put pressure on ourselves."

"We just have to go out and have fun and play football."

Senior linebacker Andre O'Neal said he expects his teammates to do that. If they don't, he said, they will never attain the respect they want.

"The voters are not just going to give us respect," O'Neal said. "We have to earn it. When they see us scoring 40 or 50 points a game and pitching shutouts, then they have to realize we are one of the better teams in the country."



## Rugby team preps for WVU

After a 27-19 win Saturday against Miami of Ohio in Cincinnati, Marshall's men's rugby team prepares to face state rival WVU Oct. 9 in its only home game of the season.

Full coverage tomorrow in sports



photo by Terri Blair

Freshman defender Vivian Baku (15) challenges for the ball against Western Michigan during Sunday's 2-2 draw.

## Herd starts MAC season with 1-0 win

by JEROD SMALLEY  
reporter

Although Marshall head coach Bob Gray's club won one game and tied another this weekend but the fifth-year head coach still was disappointed.

"We needed to win both of the home games," Gray said. "A tie at home to me is just like a loss."

Marshall defeated Northern Illinois 1-0 Friday night in its Mid-American Conference opener. The game was a defensive struggle until Brent Sobczak's goal in the 87th minute.

"Northern Illinois had an excellent side, and we played well defensively all night," Gray said.

Sunday, the Herd tied Western Michigan 2-2. After two first-half goals by Andy Dosman and Ian Leggat gave Marshall a 2-0 halftime lead,

the Broncos made a furious comeback.

Goals by Ryan March and Rob Friend evened the score at 2-2 and sent the game into overtime, which also ended in a tie.

"It's a bittersweet end to what could have been a great first weekend in the conference," Gray said. "We have to mature and learn how to protect a lead. Western was hungry in the second and wanted to fight, and we didn't put the game away."

Marshall's record stands at 3-5-1 overall and 1-0-1 in MAC play. The Herd plays the University of Kentucky Friday night in Lexington. The Wildcats are a member of the MAC in men's soccer.

"We have several days of practice before we go to UK, and we need to get better," Gray said. "They have a great team as usual, and it will take a big effort to win."

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# Circle of life

by Lillian Willis  
reporter



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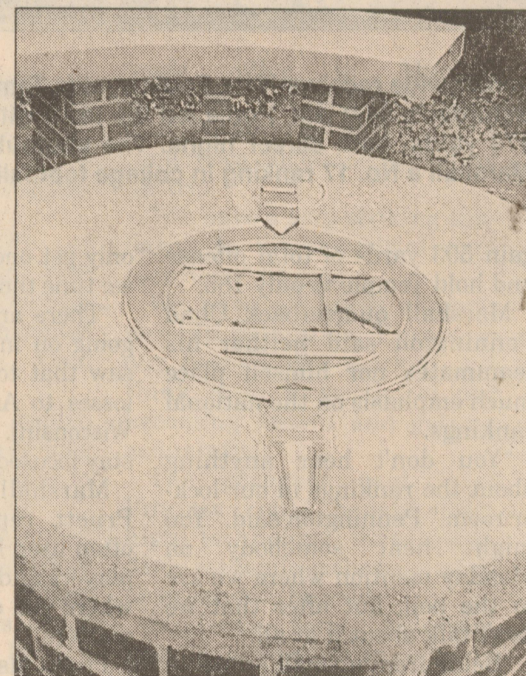


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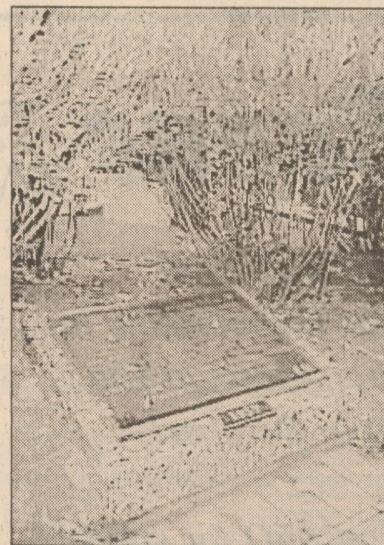


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## National leadership honor society revival plans in progress

There is a history behind the circle where some professors have class and students relax with friends.

That circle is an outward representation of the Omicron Delta Kappa Society (ODK), the national leadership honor society for students, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni.

Each chapter of ODK is called a "circle." Marshall's circle, Beta Lambda, which received its charter on May 23, 1947, arranged for the brick circle south of Old Main, as well as other campus landmarks.

There have been no new landmarks recently, however. ODK does not exist at Marshall at this time.

"I think it's a great organization," Hensley said. "It looks good on a resume, and it's always good to recognize leadership."

Hensley is taking over the position of adviser for the group. He said the main reason for the circle's decreasing activity was the retirement of the previous advisers, Reggie Spencer and Nell Bailey, and the graduation of student leadership.

John D. Morgan, ODK executive director, said in order to move from inactive to active status the circle needs to pay a convention fee, which is paid by all circles, and also to initiate members.

Now, nominations of students for memberships are being taken.

In the solicitation letter for applicants, sent to members of ODK, presidents of campus organizations, and members of faculty and administrative staff, it is stated that to be eligible for membership in ODK, a student must have the following minimum requirements: one full academic year at Marshall, rank in the top 35 percent of the school in scholarship, and achievement in at least one of five areas (scholarship; athletics; campus/community service; social/religious activities and campus government; journalism, speech and the mass media; and creative and performing arts). The deadline for applications is 4:30 p.m., October 8.

Once initiated, members pay a lifetime fee of \$40

whether the member is actively involved in ODK or not.

Several faculty and staff members at Marshall have been initiated into ODK, as students and as alumni. Hensley was initiated as an alumnus, as was Dr. Frank S. Gilliam, associate professor of biological sciences.

"I didn't even know [ODK] was inactive," Gilliam said.

Gilliam was not the only member to not notice the circle's absence from campus. Dr. Clair W. Matz, professor of political science, was in the dark as well.

"I never knew they left. I've just been out of it," he said. "But [the revival of the circle] is a good thing. I'm glad to see they're coming back."

Other faculty have taken a more active approach in bringing back the circle.

Dr. Joan Tyler Mead, College of Liberal Arts dean, has known about the process involved in reviving the circle. She recently nominated a group of students for membership, she said. Although she was not instrumental in bringing the circle back, she Mead said she is delighted it has returned.

Signs of the circle can be seen in various places on the campus. The beech tree in front of Old Main has a plaque in front of it, donated by ODK. There is a trip board in the Memorial Student Center, that may help students find a ride home, which was also donated by ODK.

The omicron and delta letters are missing from the circle on campus, likely a result of vandalism. Hensley said he hopes to get those replaced as soon as the circle reactivates.

The future of the Beta Lambda circle depends on the members, Hensley said.

"The students who come in will comprise the organization," he said. "They will be the officers and they will decide what the circle does."

**TOP:** This brick landmark represents Marshall's ODK circle.

**ABOVE:** In need of repair, the ODK letters are in the center of the circle.

**LEFT:** In 1957, ODK presented this commemorative tablet to the university in honor of the Marshall Beech Tree.

**BELOW:** Past members have a ceremony around the circle.

## Happenings...

\*your entertainment guide for activities and events at and outside of Marshall.

## On Campus

TUESDAY, SEPT. 28, 1999

**Honors Program, "What's It Like?: Graduate School,"** Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge (2W16), 3:30- 5 p.m. Contact: 696-6405

**Residence Hall Programs, "Credit Card,"** Buskirk Hall, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

**Residence Hall Programs, "Safety on the Street,"** Holderby Hall, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

**Residence Hall Programs, "Know Your Rights,"** Holderby Hall, 9:15 p.m. Contact: 696-3193

**P.R.O.W.L., meeting,** Campus Christian Center, 9:10 p.m. Contact: Rev. Bob Bondurant at 696-3052

**Student Activities Programming Board,** meeting, Memorial Student Center room 2W37, 3:15 p.m. Contact: 696-2290

**Office of Student Activities and Greek Affairs,** performance by Craig Karges, Memorial Student Center in the Don Morris Room, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 29, 1999

**Baptist Campus Ministry,** meeting, Campus Christian Center, 9:15 p.m. Contact: Jerry Losh 696-3053

**Residence Hall Program, "Sell Yourself: Interviewing/Resume Building Skills,"** Laidley Hall, 9:30p.m. Contact: 696-3193

**Habitat For Humanity,** meeting, Campus Christian Center, 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 30, 1999

**Campus Light Baptist Ministries,** meeting, Memorial Student Center, 8 p.m. Contact: Dave Greear 529-1545.

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## 'For Love of the Game' entertaining, but no home run

by EVAN BEVINS  
reporter

"If you build it, they will come."

That is the famous line from the classic Kevin Costner baseball film "Field of Dreams." So, in the spirit of that statement, here's my take on Costner's latest run around the bases, "For Love of the Game."

■ "If you weigh the story down with flashbacks, people won't come to care about the present."

The movie unfolds over what may or may not be the last game for future Hall of Famer Billy Chapel (Costner), a pitcher for the Detroit Tigers. Prior to the game, Chapel discovers that his on-again, off-again girlfriend Jane (Kelly Preston) is moving to London — dashing

Rating: ★★1/2

"For Love of the Game, rated PG-13, is now playing at the Keith Albee Theatre in downtown Huntington.

his hopes of reconciliation. Throughout the game, we see the story of their romance.

In all fairness, it would have been hard to tell the story any other way. Unfortunately, the lengthy flashbacks take a great deal of drama away from the game going on in the film's here and now.

■ "If you make a sports movie, focus on the team."

Obviously, Chapel is the film's main character. But as

he comes to realize that his abilities aren't what they used to be, he has to rely more and more on his teammates. And who are they? Good question. We know Chapel is buddies with the catcher, but aside from him and one other character, the Tigers of this film are a nameless, faceless group.

The team is the essence of the sports movie, even if some characters are emphasized above others. Just like the flashbacks, it would have been hard to do it another way. But even a little more information about the other players would have helped.

■ "If you let people know the ending, they might not come to see the beginning."

Let me warn you right now — if you want any sports drama from "For Love of the Game,"

don't read "Entertainment Weekly's" recent fall movie preview or the brochures in the movie theater lobbies.

Both tell you how the game turns out. I wasn't so lucky, so a lot of the intended suspense was lost on me.

It's bad enough that most previews today give away enough for viewers to guess the ending. But to let the cat completely out of the bag is just plain ridiculous.

■ "Even if the reviewer complains a lot, you might still enjoy the movie."

In spite of the problems I've mentioned, "For Love of the Game" isn't a bad movie. But it could have been so much better.

The film addresses many current issues, both from sports — free agency, franchise sales — and the real world — teen preg-

nancy, single parenthood. None of those become a central issue, but it is interesting to see the characters living their lives with problems other than being unable to commit to Kelly Preston (Come on, Billy. It's Kelly Preston).

The writing is relatively good as well. This is more evident in some of the sharp dialogue than it is in the movie's overall themes. A potential sub-plot about Chapel's religious beliefs is wasted by lack of development.

"For Love of the Game" is a movie about America's favorite pastime, starring a man who, despite several recent flops, is still one of America's favorite actors. But no matter how much they build it up, it will never come into the class of "Field of Dreams."